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# IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD

#### **Notice of Opposition**

Notice is hereby given that the following party opposes registration of the indicated application.

#### **Opposer Information**

Name	Barc, Inc.
Granted to Date of previous extension	08/22/2012
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#### **Applicant Information**

Application No	85188708	Publication date	04/24/2012
Opposition Filing Date	08/21/2012	Opposition Period Ends	08/22/2012
Applicant	faceBARKK, LLC PO Box 43 Pound Ridge, NY 10576 UNITED STATES		

#### Goods/Services Affected by Opposition

Class 045.

All goods and services in the class are opposed, namely: Providing a social networking website for entertainment purposes

### **Grounds for Opposition**

## Mark Cited by Opposer as Basis for Opposition

U.S. Application No.	85458416	Application Date	10/27/2011
Registration Date	NONE	Foreign Priority Date	NONE
Word Mark	BARC		

Design Mark	Odrc
Description of Mark	The mark consists of the letters b a r c in stylized lower case font and blue color wherein the letter b further includes a semi-circle extending from the top of the stem of the letter and around and down the left side and under the bottom of the letter.
Goods/Services	Class 042. First use:  Providing downloadable software from a website, that enhances a user's experience while watching TV, browsing the Internet, accessing the same digital media including video streams, audio streams, or accessing the same wireless or wired network, by allowing such concurrent users of such digital media or networks to share information, links or communicate based on their concurrent digital access; providing on-line downloadable software, that allow website providers, TV and video content originators and video stream originators to facilitate the exchange of information, including ratings, reviews, links or other topics of interest between concurrent viewers and users of their digital media or content

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#### **Certificate of Service**

The undersigned hereby certifies that a copy of this paper has been served upon all parties, at their address record by First Class Mail on this date.

Signature	/Kent M. Walker/
Name	Kent M. Walker
Date	08/21/2012

1	IN THE UNITED STATS PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
2	TRADEMARK TRIAL AND APPEAL BOARD
3	In the matter of trademark application Serial No. 85188708
4	Filed December 1, 2010 For the mark BARKK
5	Published in the <i>Official Gazette</i> on April 24, 2012.
6	BARC, INC. Opposition No.:
7	Opposer,
8	VS.
9	faceBARKK, LLC
10	Applicant.
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12	NOTICE OF OPPOSITION
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14	BARC, INC.; incorporated in California; 6121 Avenida Cresta, La Jolla, California 92037.
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16	The above-identified opposer believes that it will be damaged by registration of the mark
17	shown in the above-identified application, and hereby opposes the same.
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19	Applicant FACEBARKK, LLC filed to register the proposed mark BARKK, Serial
20	No. 85188708, in IC 45 for "providing a social networking website for entertainment purposes" on
21	December 1, 2010, claiming a bona fide intent to use the mark in commerce, as is evidence by
22	publication of said mark in the Official Gazette in the April 24, 2012, issue ("Applicant's Mark").
23	2. On May 23, 2012, the Board granted Opposer's timely filed request for an
24	extension of time until August 22, 2012, to file a Notice of Opposition to Applicant's Mark.
25	3. Opposer's use of Opposer's Mark has been valid and continuous since at least
26	October of 2010 and has not been abandoned. Opposer's mark is symbolic of extensive goodwill
27	and consumer recognition. As a result of the substantial amounts of time and effort in advertising

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and promotion, Opposer has developed an exceedingly valuable goodwill in respect to Opposer's Mark.

- 4. Applicant's Mark and Opposer's Mark are similar in sound and meaning.
- 5. Applicant's services and Opposer's services are similar and related.
- 6. Applicant's services and Opposer's services are likely to be marketed and sold together.
- 7. On information and belief, Opposer alleges that the services of Opposer and Applicant are offered or to be offered in similar channels of commerce and offered to similar customers.
- 8. Applicant's use of and application to register BARKK is without consent or permission of Opposer.
  - 9. Applicant's Mark and Opposer's Mark are likely to be confused.
- 10. On information and belief, Opposer's first use of Opposer's Mark precedes Applicant's first use of Applicant's Mark in commerce.
- 11. Opposer is likely to be damaged by registration of Applicant's mark in that the *prima facie* effect of registration of Applicant's Mark would tend to impair Opposer's right to use the similar sounding wording contained in Applicant's Mark.
- 12. Opposer is likely to be damaged by registration of Applicant's Mark in that the *prima facie* effect of registration of Applicant's Mark would tend to impair Opposer's right to register Opposer's Mark with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.
- 13. For the foregoing reasons, the registration sought by Applicant is contrary to the provisions of the Lanham Act, and Opposer would be damaged thereby.

WHEREFORE, Opposer BARC, INC. prays that the application for registration of the mark BARKK, Serial No. 85188708, be refused and that this Opposition be sustained in favor of Opposer.

The fee required by Sect. 2.6(a)(17) is enclosed herewith.

Opposer hereby appoints Kent M. Walker, member of the Bar of California, of Lewis 1 Kohn & Fitzwilliam LLP at 10935 Vista Sorrento Parkway, Suite 370, San Diego, CA 92130, to 2 act as attorney in the matter of the opposition identified above, to prosecute said opposition, to 3 transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office, and in the United States courts connected with this opposition, to sign its name to all papers which are hereinafter to be filed in 5 connection herewith, and to receive all communications relating to the same. 6 /// 7 8 9 DATED: August 21, 2012 10 Respectfully submitted 11 By: /KENT M. WALKER/ KENT M. WALKER 12 LEWIS KOHN & FITZWILLIAM LLP 13 Attorney for Opposer Reg. No.: 38,649 14 10935 Vista Sorrento Pkwy., Ste. 370 San Diego, CA 92130 (858) 436-1330 (telephone) 15 (858) 436-1349 (facsimile) kwalker@lewiskohn.com 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 28

CERTIFICATE OF ELECTRONIC FILING I hereby certify that this Notice of Opposition to registration of the mark in Application Serial No. 85188708 is being filed electronically, today, August 21, 2012, on the Electronic System for Trademark Trials and Appeals for the United States Patent and Trademark Office. /Kent M. Walker/ KENT M. WALKER **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE** The undersigned certifies that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Notice of Opposition was served on Applicant by mailing, postage prepaid, said copy on August 21, 2012, via U.S. Mail, to the address of record listed for Application Serial No. 85188708. faceBARKK, LLC P.O. Box 43 Pound Ridge, NY 10576 /Kent M. Walker/ KENT M. WALKER